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Dear Examiner Wright:

In response to the non-final office action mailed June 20, 2005, we enclose the following:

- 1) Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated June 28, 2005 (2 pages); and
- 2) Amendment C with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) (6 pages).

Very respectfully,

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 10/707,590 Confirmation No.: 1589  
Applicants: : Robert L. Wheeler  
: Walter Crowley  
Filed: : 12/23/2003  
Art Unit : 3617  
Examiner : Andrew D. Wright  
  
Docket No. : 1027.02  
Customer No. : 21,901  
For : Self-Generating Air Cushion Vessel

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

**STATUS**

2. Applicants are independent inventors.

**EXTENSION OF TERM**

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicants believe that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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**CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION**

(37 C.F.R. 1.8(a))

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Amendment C, including Introductory Comments, Amendments to the Claims and Remarks, is being transmitted by facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Group Art Unit 3617, Attn: Mr. Andrew D. Wright, (703) 872-9306 on June 28, 2005.

Dated: June 28, 2005

  
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**FEE FOR CLAIMS**

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col.1) Claims Remaining After Amendment		(Col. 2) Highest No. Previously Paid For	(Col. 3) SMALL ENTITY Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee
Total	8	Minus	20	= 0	x \$25 =	\$0
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Total						Addit. Fee \$0

- \* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3,
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No additional fee for claims is required.

Very respectfully,

  
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AMENDMENT C

## Introductory Comments

Sir:

In response to the non-final Examiner's Action mailed 06/20/2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire 09/20/2005, the above-identified patent application is amended a third time as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.